

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Howard Lutnick, *et. al.* )  
Application No: 10/615,721 ) Art Unit: 3691  
Filed: July 8, 2003 ) Confirmation No.: 9421  
For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR )  
IMPROVING THE LIQUIDITY AND ) Examiner: Gregory Johnson  
DISTRIBUTION NETWORK FOR )  
ILLIQUID ITEMS )

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**AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION WITH RCE**

A Final Office Action was mailed on December 24, 2009 in the above-identified application. Applicants are now submitting a RCE and Withdrawal of Appeal concurrently with this Amendment. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Although no fee is believed due, the Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with the present application, or credit any overpayment of same to Deposit Account No. 50-3938.

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